

Data Facts

Description Maryland Asthma Emergency Department (ED) Visits 2013

Owner Maryland Health Care Commission

Original Home Maryland Health Care Commission

Years available 2000-2013

Method of Measurement: Statewide hospital reporting

What's Reported

Asthma ED visits

Number of Asthma ED visits

Rate of Asthma ED visits (number per 100 persons)

95% confidence interval for rate

Other Information

Location county

Time Frame calendar year

Level of geographic detail:

Total counties in state: 24 (including Baltimore City)

Counties included in data: 24

Why these data are important?

Asthma is a serious chronic disease that can be impacted by environmental hazards. Emergency department data are used to measure the occurrence of hospital visits for acute asthma attacks. The use of ED visits measure can be used for analyses of the chronic disease and assessment of trends in environmental hazards and adverse health outcomes in time (years) and space (counties). Indicators can be used to determine where intervention should be initiated.

Keywords: *Respiratory disease; disease of respiratory system; health effects; health outcome; asthma; respiratory disorders; asthma attack; obstructive lung disease; reactive airway disease; Asthma emergency department visits; Asthma emergency room visits.*

Questions:

Are any of these data confidential? **No**

Can I download these data from the MTN? **Yes**

Are sub-county data available from the Original Home? **Yes**

How often does the MTN get these data? **Once each year**

Were the data checked for completeness and validity? **Yes**

Contacts:

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